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## **REGION 10 BULLETIN NO: 08-27**

Subject: Updated Title VI Program Guidance

Program Area: Civil Rights

Date: June 12, 2008

This notice provides information regarding the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) circular update regarding Title VI Programs for all FTA Grantees. The authority for FTA's Title VI Circular derives from Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. 2000d, et seq, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin in programs and activities receiving Federal financial assistance. In the 18 years since FTA last revised its Title VI Circular, much of FTA's guidance has become outdated.

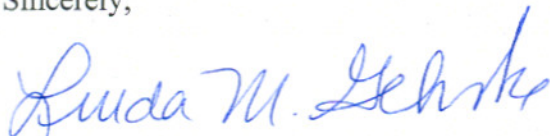
To respond to these changes, FTA issued Circular 4702.1A in May 2007. This revised guidance incorporated updated information such as: assuring meaningful access to services by Limited English Proficient (LEP) persons, environmental justice provisions, and removed outdated language. FTA Circular 4702.1A can be found on the FTA's web site at:  
[http://www.fta.dot.gov/laws/circulars/leg\\_reg\\_5956.html](http://www.fta.dot.gov/laws/circulars/leg_reg_5956.html)

All recipients of FTA funds are required to have a Title VI program on file with FTA (except Tribal Transit recipients). This Program shall be attached in the Transportation Electronic Award and Management (TEAM Web) System and updated every three years. Title VI Program updates should be attached in TEAM at least 30 days prior to expiration. Title VI Programs developed after December 2007 shall meet the program requirements as set forth in Circular 4702.1A.

We are in the process of updating our online New Grantee Handbook and Civil Rights resources to assure it is current. For more information about the general Title VI requirements, please join us on **June 18<sup>th</sup> from 10:00-11:30 a.m. PST for a conference call**. To join this call, please RSVP by email to Monica McCallum at [monica.mccallum@dot.gov](mailto:monica.mccallum@dot.gov) with "Title VI Conference Call" in the subject line. You will receive confirmation with the call-in conference number and passcode on June 17<sup>th</sup>.

For further information about this program, please contact Monica in Region 10 at (206) 220-4462 or by email.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Linda M. Gehlke". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Linda" being the most prominent part.

R.F. Krochalis  
Regional Administrator

A handwritten word "for" in blue ink, written vertically and positioned to the left of the typed name "R.F. Krochalis".